

Little Compton School Committee

Date: 6-10-15

7:00 Open Session

Little Compton School Department

28 Commons, Little Compton, RI 02837

(Commons Area)

-Minutes-

Call to Order:

The meeting was reconvened to order at 7:00pm by L. Craffey, seconded by P. Allen

Present:

Attendee Name Title Status Arrived

T. Alder Chairperson present

L. Craffey Vice-Chairperson present

P. McHugh Secretary present

P. Bugara Member present

P. Allen Member present

K. Crowley Superintendent present

K. McAllister Attorney present

J. McNamee Business Manager present

C. Sylvia Director of HR present

I. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

The Pledge was taken

II NOTICE: Chair to Report out any votes in Executive Session: The

Chair reported that there were no votes in executive session.

III. Consider and Vote to Seal the minutes of the Executive Session 6-10-15, on a motion made by L. Craffey, seconded by T. Alder it was unanimously voted to seal the minutes of the executive session

IV. Consent Agenda: On a motion made by L. Craffey, seconded by P. McHugh it was unanimously voted to approve the consent agenda as modified. The minutes will be sent to P. McHugh for review.

Minutes May 20, 2015: Revision need to be done on the minutes and will be looked at for the next meeting.

Bills and Payroll

Cash Disbursements

Correspondence

Information

Other:

- Appointments of certified staff**
- Accept resignation of Literacy Specialist**
- Recall of Certified Staff A report was given by the Superintendent pertaining to the appointments. Appointment of 5/6 grade positions and 3/5 Band/Music Position. No recalls were made at this meeting.**

V. Public Input:

None

VI. Spotlight on Excellence:

Trip to Washington DC, Mr. Deleo and students On a motion made by L. Craffey, seconded by P. Bugara it was unanimously voted to move

this item before the consent agenda. A report was given of the trip to Washington, DC. P. Bugara recommended that a letter should be sent to the tour company. On a motion made by P. Bugara, seconded by L. Craffey it was unanimously voted to write a letter to the tour company for their outstanding efforts during this trip.

VII. Superintendent Report:

Revisions in PARCC Assessment The Superintendent reported on revisions in the PARCC testing specifically in the length of the testing.

PHS Joint School Committee Meeting The Superintendent reported on the joint meeting with PHS and discussed dual enrollment that was discussed at the PHS meeting.

Technology State Assessment Mr. Arruda gave a Powerpoint presentation pertaining to the Technology Assessment that the 8th grade participated in. Our school was rated #1 in the state of RI.

School Committee Resolution on Gun Free School A report was given.

School Committee Award Tom Alder and Peg Bugara were awarded a certificate based on the professional development that they took part in.

Dual Enrollment The Superintendent discussed the Dual enrollment.

Undersea Science The Superintendent reported that one of our students Ian Fitzgerald was asked to be part of the Undersea Science Program at Newark.

VIII. Finance Report: J. McNamee

J. McNamee gave a report on our finances.

IX. Committee Reports:

Portsmouth School Committee, P. Allen A report was given. Mr. Alder recommended that we should have a list of our High School student accomplishments and have letters sent out to commend them.

Recreation Committee, P. McHugh A report was given. The Town Council approved a resurfacing of the Basketball court.

Scholarship Committee, L. Craffey No update at this meeting

Superintendent Search Committee, P. Bugara

X. Principals Report: On a motion made by P. McHugh, seconded by P. Bugara it was unanimously voted to move the principals report after the consent agenda.

Bullying Report A report was given.

Scheduling 15-16 School Year A report was given. The scheduling is about 95% done.

Curriculum 15-16 School Year Mr. Arruda gave a report of the science program that will be integrated into the classrooms. Training for the science kits will take place before the teachers use them in the classroom. The ELA 3,4 & 5 Program is being looked at for next year.

There will be no science or math work going home this summer.

Summer Program The summer program will be a full day program and is for all students. This is not a summer school but is a summer academy. There will be math and reading in the morning. There will

be sports for an hour and in the afternoon there will be science and computers. Attendance will be flexible due to family vacations. There will be no fees for the program and transportation must be provided by the parents. There will be field trips weekly and there will be a fee. This program is not part of Common Core

Annual Update on all Activities for School year 2014-15 An update was given for the last month of June, 2015 and the activities that will be taking place. Mr. Arruda gave a summary of the Mock Trial and the field trip to the courthouse. Mr. Arruda talked about the Sports banquet and all students received a trophy for participation. Mr. Arruda reported on the Oasis project and he discussed the donations being raised. Mr. Arruda reported on the upcoming field trips.

X. Discussion Items:

PowerPoint on PARCC Testing, P. Bugara P. Bugara gave a PowerPoint presentation on PARCC testing and mentioned to the audience that she is making this presentation NOT as a school committee member and that this is her presentation and not the school committees.

XI. Action Items:

Consider and vote on School Visitors Policy, P. Allen

Motion Passes: 3-2 P. Allen-aye, P. McHugh-aye, L. Craffey-aye, T. Alder-nay, P. Bugara-nay.

On a motion made by P. Allen, seconded by P. McHugh the motion passes 3-2 in favor of the visitor policy.

Consider and vote School Committee Resolution on Gun Free School, Superintendent

Approved in the consent agenda.

Consider and vote to revise April vacation in the 2015-16 school calendar, Superintendent On a motion made by P. Allen, seconded by P. Bugara it was unanimously voted to revise the school calendar for 2015-16.

Chair to appoint a policy committee, T. Alder The Chair appointed P. Bugara and L. Craffey as the Policy Committee.

Consider and vote on questions for Superintendent Candidates On a motion made by P. McHugh, seconded by P. Bugara it was unanimously voted to move this item to the end of the agenda. An update was given on the process of the sub-committee. The chair indicated that dates will be set up to meet with the two candidates. Before that time the questions need to be looked at and narrowed down to less questions within the categories. On a motion made by P. Bugara, seconded by L. Craffey it was unanimously voted to revise the minutes (by Peg Bugara and Tom Alder) and then bring the new list back to the committee for a vote.

Consider and vote on School Committee Resolution of School Calendar

Failed: 5-0 On a motion made by L. Craffey, seconded by P. McHugh it was unanimously voted to reject the resolution 5-0

XII. Adjourn:

Consider and Vote on a motion to Adjourn: On a motion made by P. Bugara, seconded by L. Craffey it was unanimously voted to adjourn

at 8:59pm